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New York, Sept. 30.—The federal officers are strenuously seeking to-day, Jacob Herzog, alias George Rice, the ex-convict head of B. H. Scheffels & Co., and also the \$5,000,000, which they are said to have got through wild mining schemes. Rice escaped during yesterday's sensational raid. The police are watching Mrs. Elizabeth Laflin in her luxurious flat on Central Park west, where Rice is expected to communicate.

The seven men arrested yesterday, arranged here are B. H. Scheffels, Charles F. Belser, secretary of the company; George T. Sullivan, Clarence McCormick, John Delaney, William F. Savage and Charles H. Stone. Warrants for six-teen men had been issued, but the others, including Rice and Charles S. Herzig, who is said to be his brother, the raiders. Rice had been in his office earlier in the day, but left before the officers swooped down on the place.

A surety company gave bail in \$15,000 of Scheffels, \$5,000 for Seagraves, \$3,000 for Stone and \$2,500 for Delaney, Belser, McCormick and Sullivan were committed to the Tombs, as bondsmen were not forthcoming. The hearing was set for Oct. 5, but it is expected that the federal grand jury will have taken action before that time.

The firm of B. H. Scheffels & Co. was organized about two years ago, and conducted a large business, mainly by extensive advertising. Mining speculations were its chief offering to investors. A weekly newspaper was published to reach clients and a corps of thirty-five stenographers is said to have been required to attend to its correspondence. After the arrests, two patrol wagons loaded with papers, books and memoranda were seized by the inspectors for examination.

Another charge against the company by George Scarborough, the government inspector who made the complaint, is that it had resorted to what he called a "crooked bucket shop scheme." He declared the concern charged customers 4 per cent on all orders, rendering fees without difference between the actual prices of stocks on the curb market, and fictitious quotations given customers. Scarborough also alleges, was converted into the company's use. In his complaint, the defendants are accused of attempting to defraud William A. Childs, Charles H. Shick and Dr. D. J. Symanski.

TOLD OF GRAFT GAME.

Sensational Testimony Given in a Chicago Trial.

Chicago, Sept. 30.—A. C. Goodrich, a confessed go-between, and Henry C. Ostermann, formerly president of the Ostermann Manufacturing company, vied with each other before Judge Samuel Bruggeneyer yesterday in stripping bare, the secrets of the alleged combination, which is charged with swindling the Illinois Central Railroad company by car repair frauds.

Goodrich, like Ostermann, was a witness for the prosecution. He described in detail methods which he said Illinois Central officers used to conceal their identity as stockholders in the Ostermann repair concern. In testifying Wednesday, Ostermann said that certain payments to the railroad officers were made by checks to Goodrich. When placed on the stand yesterday, Goodrich began his testimony at this point. "The checks were made out in my name," said Goodrich. "Frank B. Harriman, (one of the three defendants in the present case), had asked me some time previously if I would agree to let him have checks made out in my name and accept payments for him. I agreed. I do not know what sources the checks came from, but I received a number of them. I know, however, that they were issued by this company, of which I have been reading in the newspapers. I endorsed them, and placed them to my private account in the Fort Dearborn National bank."

Photographs of \$35,000 worth of checks, signed by F. H. Niles, president of the Blue Island Car & Equipment company, were then introduced and Goodrich identified the endorsements on them as having been made by him.

FIRE IN A SKYSCRAPER.

Flames 26 Stories Above Ground Did Little Damage.

New York, Sept. 30.—Firemen yesterday had the novel experience of fighting a fire in a skyscraper, 20 floors above the street level. The flames broke out in the offices of the Singer building and dense smoke was pouring from the windows on the Broadway side of the structure when the firemen arrived. Two of the elevators were requisitioned by the fire fighters who had difficulty in forcing their way through the smoke filled maze of offices to the blazing room. Comparatively little damage was done.

INSANITY PROVEN.

Frank Smith Was On Trial for Murdering Father-in-Law.

Uniontown, Pa., Sept. 30.—Frank Smith, on trial for the murder of his father-in-law, was found not guilty yesterday by reason of insanity. He was sentenced to be confined in a hospital for the insane.

Smith during the trial last week grabbed a bottle of potent medicine, in exhibit in the case, and was about to strike District Attorney Patterson over the head, when a juror jumped from the jury box, and wrestled with the prisoner, who then was subdued.

THREE MONTHS IN JAIL
For Receiving Some Stolen Rugs Which
Were Turned Into Whiskey.

Burlington, Sept. 30.—For receiving stolen property, the said property being a bundle of rugs belonging to Mrs. Mary Call, a sentence of three months in jail was imposed on Frank Sordiff in city court yesterday, while at the same time Zeb Blair was discharged by the court. Blair was charged with being a partner to stealing the rugs.

Sordiff testified that he went to the Call woman had taken \$1.00 from him and that Blair remained there and told Sordiff to come back later. When he returned, he claims he found Blair at the rear of the Call house with a bundle of rugs.

According to Sordiff, Blair told him Call woman had taken \$1.00 from him and then locked him in the house. Sordiff claimed Blair told him to he had taken the rugs to get even with Mrs. Call.

At all events, the pair took a long walk which finally ended at the rear of the car barn on North Winooski avenue. Here "Zebbie" left his friend, while he went and exchanged the rugs for a quart of whiskey.

ARMY GAME CANCELLED.
Investigation of "Silence" Affair Keeps
Men Confined to Barracks.

West Point, Sept. 30.—There will be no football game at West Point, Saturday, the game with university of Vermont having been cancelled, owing to the entire squad of cadets being confined to barracks owing to their difficulty with Capt. Langton. There is no telling when the investigation now going on will be finished. The members of the first class have all been before the board, and the second and third are now being called.

The evening dress parade, which was discontinued when the football practice began, was yesterday restored in addition to the usual drills of the cadets. This will keep them busy from their release from academic duties until the hour for supper formation.

FOUR PEOPLE RESCUED
IN BOSTON FIRE

Brick Apartment House in Back Bay
District Destroyed This Morning.
Causing a Loss of \$15,000.

Boston, Sept. 30.—Three women and a blind man had narrow escapes from death early to-day, when fire broke out in a four-story brick apartment house in Oxford terrace in the Back Bay district. The four persons were rescued by firemen. The apartment house was destroyed, causing a loss of \$15,000.

DEATH ENDS SUFFERING.
Mrs. Catherine McGrath of Brockton

Brockton, Mass., Sept. 30.—As a result of injuries sustained by throwing herself from a second story window two weeks ago, Mrs. Catherine McGrath, aged 78, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Huggon, 66 Richmond street.

Mrs. McGrath had been in ill health for over a year and she brooded constantly over the death of a daughter, Mrs. James Kane, last spring. Securing a key to a room on Oct. 16, she locked herself in, and when an attempt was made to force the door, she jumped from a window, receiving injuries which resulted in death.

Mrs. McGrath came to Brockton about six years ago from Montreal. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Huggon and Miss Mary McGrath of this city and Mrs. Fred Howard of Easthampton, and one son, Patrick McGrath of Ontario.

COLLEGE YEAR BEGINS
And Freshmen Enter Harvard Under
New Conditions.

Cambridge, Mass., Sept. 30.—The summer-long quiet of the ancient university city was broken yesterday, when the "yard" and all the adjacent streets swarmed with students returning for the opening of the 27th year of Harvard university.

This year's freshmen will face conditions differing in some ways from those encountered by any previous class. Besides the customary supervision of the members of the faculty, each senior will have a certain amount of oversight over the college activities of several freshmen, particularly as regards their social life, and the new students will have less latitude in conduct.

President Lowell, having instituted a system of restricted electives, each student is obliged to adhere to a definite course throughout his college career.

BIPLANE ENDANGERS 50,000.
Aviator Barely Escapes Landing On
Heads of Crowd.

Rochester, N. H., Sept. 30.—A record crowd of 50,000 people scattered wildly at the Rochester fair yesterday, when Archie Hoxey in a Wright biplane glided just above their heads for about 300 yards and then landed among a jostling gathering. No one was injured nor was the machine or aviator hurt, but one aged woman had a narrow escape.

Whether from presence of mind or as a result of the pushing by the frightened crowd about her this woman fell to the ground. The biplane landed suddenly immediately in front of her and with a rebound rose just over her prostrate body to a farther landing place.

ILL HEALTH CAUSES SUICIDE.
N. N. Ramsdell of East Bridgewater
Cuts Throat with Razor.

Boston, Sept. 30.—Nathaniel Norton Ramsdell, 46 years old, yesterday committed suicide by slashing his throat with a razor at his home on Union street, East Bridgewater. The body was found by his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Cushing, in a shed back of the house.

It is thought that despondency, due to several months of ill health and unemployment, caused him to take his life.

FIRE IN ISABELLA PROVINCE.
Manila, Sept. 30.—Laguna, the capital of Isabella province, and other towns have been destroyed and thousands are rendered homeless by a storm in Isabella and Cayanag provinces. There were no deaths.AGREED ON
ONE POINTOn What They Will Attack
Republicans on in New York

ON TWO CHIEF ISSUES

The Tariff and the High Cost of Living.
That Is All the Democrats, Assembled at Rochester, Have
Accomplished.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 30.—An agreement that the tariff and the high cost of living will be the points of attack on the Republicans is the only result yet in the Democratic state convention. A. J. Parker, E. M. Shepard and former controller Glynn were the leading candidates when the convention was resumed this afternoon, but Mayor Gaynor was yet a possibility.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Norman E. Mack, chairman of the national Democratic committee, makes the situation as regards the nomination of a candidate for governor. Out of the 450 delegates, he holds, with Kings county, led by John H. McCooey of Brooklyn, and Erie, led by William Fitzpatrick of Buffalo, more than 200. Up-state leaders recognize the hopelessness of effecting any coalition strong enough to oppose him with any show of success.

The problem that Mr. Murphy faces is one that needs all his caution, experience and judgment. He must find a strong candidate to run the race against Henry L. Stimson, backed by Theodore Roosevelt, a man who will command the support of Democrats of all shades of opinion. The leaders all feel that with Mayor Gaynor eliminated from consideration as an candidate Mr. Hearst becomes once more a factor with whom to reckon. The editorial utterances of his morning newspaper yesterday were interpreted here to mean that he is holding himself uncommitted to any one of the candidates. They ask the newspapermen eagerly for the latest information and merely reiterate formal estimates of strength. Representative William Sulzer says he is losing strength. Representative James S. Hays is still sure that he cannot lose. His managers said last night that he would enter the convention with the delegates to elect him safely pledged. Edward M. Shepard said everything he had heard yesterday continued to encourage him.

Before the doors of his quarters closed last night.

"The situation is as I stated it to you at noon. There has been no concentration on any candidate or any two or three candidates."

The inference from Murphy's assurance that the other leaders had failed to agree on a candidate was that at least he felt free to select his own. This might be Justice Victor J. Dowling, Herman A. Metz, Justice James V. Gerard, Justice Martin L. Keogh, Alton R. Parker or Edward M. Shepard. The news that Judge Parker's name was being considered and that Shepard was still in the running was the surprise of last night.

ROOSEVELT IS HOPEFUL.

Thinks Republicans Will Win in New York.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Theodore Roosevelt returned early last evening from Saratoga with the scalp of the Republican old guard of New York state added to his big collection of trophies.

When he reached Troy, N. Y., last Monday on his way to Saratoga, he told the crowd which met him at the station that he had returned from Africa with a lot of trophies and that when he came back from Saratoga, he would have more. The colonel made good his word by returning to his home town, the generally accepted leader of the already big crowd, he told the crowd that he was immensely proud of his new trophy, to win which he was compelled to make one of the hardest fights of his life.

Colonel Roosevelt went to bed early last night. He was tired and hoarse when he reached Sagamore Hill, but in fine spirits. He expressed himself as well pleased with the results of the convention, but had no other comment to make on anything related to politics.

The colonel took a train from Saratoga at eight o'clock yesterday morning. Reaching Poughkeepsie at noon, he attended a luncheon, drove two miles to the Dutchess county fair grounds, made a speech there, and returned to the station in an hour and a half. His Poughkeepsie speech contained no reference to politics, except a repetition of his assertion that corruption must not be tolerated.

On reaching New York late in the afternoon, he started one more for Oyster Bay by automobile. He had no visitors last evening, and said that he hoped to have a quiet time for the next few days, as there will be no let up when once the campaign is fairly under way. He has placed his services at the disposal of the Republican state committee and hopes to make at least one speech in every county in the state. He will try to inject into the fight, all the fire and vigor of his personality and make the campaign one of the liveliest which New York state has seen in many a year.

In view of the victory of the progressives at the convention, the colonel believes the party has an excellent chance of winning the election and he is to take off his coat and pitch in with Lloyd C. Griscom, chairman of the New York county Republican committee, Cornelius V. Collins, state superintendent of prisons, Representative Herbert Parsons, Congressman W. W. Cook of Nassau county and others of his close advisers, he will outline a plan as the first step.

REPUBLICAN CLUB CONVENTION.
John Hays Hammond, T. Roosevelt and
H. L. Stimson Address 1,000 Delegates,
New York, Sept. 30.—The eleventh annual convention of the National League

Republican clubs opened to-day with a street parade to Carnegie hall. John Hays Hammond spoke this morning. Theodore Roosevelt will speak this afternoon and Henry L. Stimson to-morrow night. The convention will adopt a platform to-morrow endorsing President Taft. A thousand delegates from all over the country are attending.

ROOSEVELT AIDS INSURGENTS.
In Middle Atlantic and Southern States,
Massachusetts and New Hampshire,
New York, Sept. 30.—Colonel Roosevelt is back at his work on the Outlook, but is planning to leave Thursday for a trip to Georgia, Tennessee, Arkansas and Indiana, where he will speak for Senator Beveridge. The last week in October he comes to Massachusetts to speak for Senator Lodge and then will go to New Hampshire to aid the insurgents.SENATOR LA FOLLETTE
IS CRITICALLY ILL

Wisconsin Senator Is at a Sanitarium in
Rochester, Minn., and Will Have an
Operation This Afternoon.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 30.—Senator Robert M. LaFollette of Wisconsin is lying here in a critical condition. He is at the Harker sanitarium, and it is expected that an operation will be performed this afternoon.

BARBECUE CROWNING FEATURE.
Vermont Electrical Association Proposed
to Be Good Eaters.

Brandon, Sept. 30.—The Vermont Electrical Association devoted its second day of its annual meeting to play, and the best day in September contributed toward its success. Lake Dunmore, one of the choicest of Vermont's healthy spots, was selected for the barbecue, the crowning feature of the convention, and the man who picked the place, knew what he was about. There on the sandy beach, under the lowering lights of Mr. Mousalmon, the merry electricians satisfied the inner man with roasted beef and lamb and all the trimmings. The culinary department was under the direction of the versatile C. A. G. Jackson of Montpelier, who had fires burning in the big barbecue pit all night. When the 400 or more hungry men lined up to the grilling board "tag" was ready for a king.

Prior to the big eat, two baseball teams labored through four long innings. That captained by Sherwin from the aggregation led by Griffith, by the score of 24 to 9, the feature being a double play by Marsden, Clark and Warren.

INGERSOLL GETS RESPIRE.
Trial of Alleged Bank Embezzler Continued.

Alfred, Me., Sept. 30.—Owing to the physical condition of Richmond H. Ingersoll, the former treasurer of the closed York County Savings bank at Biddeford, the indictments against him on four charges of embezzlement of the bank's funds, were yesterday continued until the January term of court. This action was taken by County Attorney Hobbs after physicians who had examined the former treasurer, had testified that he could not withstand the strain of a trial for more than one day without breaking down and delaying the proceedings.

Mr. Ingersoll, who is 73 years old, has, since the alleged discovery, on Aug. 12, of shortages in his accounts, amounting to \$350,000, made two attempts at suicide, the police claim, once by morphine and again by cutting his throat with a razor.

NO FEAR AT BOSTON.
Agents and Officials Prepared to Guard
Against Cholera.

Boston, Sept. 30.—No fear of cholera entering the port by means of steamships arriving from southern Italian ports is expected by the local steamship agents and health officials. Dr. Samuel H. Durgin, chairman of the Boston board of health, yesterday said arrangements already have been made to hold persons embarking at southern Italian ports for five days, which is about the limit for incubation of cholera germs.

Agent Frederick O. Houghton of the White Star line, the only line operating regular steamships between Boston and Mediterranean ports, said yesterday that he did not anticipate any changes in the regular sailings and that the precautions on the other side appeared ample.

ON NEW ENGLAND RATES.
Hearing Will Be Given in Boston About
October 10.

Washington, Sept. 30.—The interstate commerce commission will give a hearing at Boston, about Oct. 10, to D. O. Ives of the Boston chamber of commerce and representatives of other shipping interests protesting against the new railroad tariffs in New England proposed to enforce the 48-hour free time limit for unloading cars.

Mrs. D. K. Lucas and Mrs. J. B. Pike visited friends in Plainfield to-day.

Mrs. Nellie Reed has finished work at Elmer Burnham's and with her little daughter returned to the home of her father, D. R. Tibbitts.

Mrs. Alice Parker Fisher left for Lowell, Mass., last Tuesday, where she will visit for ten days, afterwards returning to Randolph for a few days, and with her son, Newton Hale, will start for Pasadena, Cal., October 12. Mrs. Fisher is a native of this town and has a host of friends here and in other towns, who wish them a successful and pleasant journey.

Charles Perry purchased a potato-digger at the state fair. Mr. Perry is one of Marshfield's progressive farmers and is the only man who uses the Bordeaux mixture for potatoes to any extent, having a horse sprayer for that purpose. This digger is the first to be owned and used in town.

Mrs. Louisa Sanborn has her new cottage on Creamery street well toward completion. It is an attractive house and adds much to the street. G. L. Preston is having R. R. Kidley, E. Hadlock and others working with him.

FALL KILLED
FRANK STACYWas Working on Telephone
at Keene, N. H.

HE CAME FROM VERMONT

He Was Working at His Trade of Lineman
at Keene When Accident
Happened Yesterday—He
Was Badly Hurt.

Keene, N. H., Sept. 30.—Frank Stacy, aged about 22 years, was fatally injured yesterday morning while at work as a lineman on lower Marlborough street. He was on an electric light pole installing a new line of wire, when he received a shock which caused him to fall, striking on his head and shoulders on a pile of stones and fracturing his skull. He was taken to the Elliot City hospital in an electric car, and died in about two hours.

Stacy, as far as can be learned, was born in Vermont and had resided in several towns, working as a lineman. He had been working in this city for about two weeks but had previously worked here for the same company. The shock that he received caused several bad burns on his arms and body, but the doctors reported that death was due to the fractured skull. He also received several broken ribs and a broken jaw. He is survived by a sister in Rutland, Vt., and also two brothers.

WEDDING IN BURLINGTON.
Blanche Agnes Parker Bride of William
J. Parker of Shelburne.

Burlington, Sept. 30.—Miss Blanche Agnes Parker, daughter of William J. Parker of Shelburne, and Henry Harrington of Shelburne were married by Rev. Joseph F. Gillis in the parlors of the cathedral rectory at eight o'clock yesterday morning in the presence of the families of both parties and a number of friends of the bride and groom. The bride was attended by Miss Sarah T. Whitmarsh as maid of honor, and George Parker, brother of the bride, acted as best man.

The bride was very becomingly gowned in a princess dress of white muslin, made en train and trimmed with point d'esprit lace and silk fringes. She wore a long white tulle veil, fastened with bride's roses, and carried the same flower. The traveling suit was navy blue and a black picture hat. They were escorted to the station by their friends, and amid rice and confetti they left for parts unknown.

The presents were many and beautiful, including linen, silver and cut glass. The bride is a Fanny Allen hospital graduate of the class of 1908 and has been a popular nurse about Vermont. After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Harrington will be in Montpelier during the autumn for two months as Mr. Harrington is town representative from Shelburne. After December 1 they will be at home to their friends in Shelburne.

Wills—Sturtevant.
Hartland, Sept. 30.—The wedding of Miss Alice R. Sturtevant of Hartford, Conn., and Jesse L. Wills of Worcester, Mass., took place here yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sturtevant. Rev. H. L. Canfield of Woodstock performed the ceremony. Miss Florence H. Sturtevant, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. Miss Sturtevant, who is a native of Hartland, has been for several years in the employ of an insurance company of Hartford. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Wills left for a tour, after which they will reside in Worcester.Ayers—Hough.
White River Junction, Sept. 30.—A wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hough of Gates street yesterday, when their sister, Mary Frances Hough, married Frank E. Ayers. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. J. Hough of Proctorsville, the father of the bride. The bride wore net over white silk and carried a shawl bouquet. Howard R. Hough was best man and Mrs. Elizabeth E. Hough maid of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Ayers left on an extended tour in the White mountains.DOG AS CAUSE OF SUIT.
The Dog Caused a Horse to Run Away,
So Plaintiff Alleges.

St. Albans, Sept. 30.—Franklin county court will take a recess on Saturday, probably until Monday, October 10, for the purpose of allowing the attorneys to prepare the case of *State vs. State Bar Association and the superior judges to hold their meeting next week at Montpelier*. The arguments are now being made in the case of *Mary Perry vs. Arthur Bolyer* for damages of \$2,000, which sum is asked for as the result of a runaway accident alleged to be caused by the defendant's dog. It is expected that the case will go to the jury this afternoon. The next case for trial will be that of *State vs. Zepa Trombly of Fletcher*, in which the respondent is charged with aiding and abetting prisoners to escape from the jurisdiction of the court.

BURLINGTON C. O. F. WON
Banner for Most New Members in Past
Six Months.

Burlington, Sept. 30.—St. Joseph's court, C. O. F., has been awarded the banner for the largest increase in membership of any court in the state, having received 74 members during the six months between January first and July first of this year. The court is now placed tenth on the list for meritorious work in the whole order, which includes court all over North America. The banner was given by the state court and was won by strenuous work on the part of the court. The formal presentation of the banner will take place in this city on the evening of the 27th of October. The exercises will take place in St. Mary's hall and will be followed later by a banquet at the Sherwood house.

NEW CHURCH DEDICATED.
Catholic Edifice at Woodstock Which
Was Dedicated in 1907.

Woodstock, Sept. 30.—The Catholic Church of Our Lady of the Snows, built in 1904 and dedicated in 1907, was consecrated yesterday by Bishop J. J. Rice of Burlington. A large number of priests assisted in the ceremonies which began yesterday morning at 6:30. The consecration service by Bishop Rice was followed by a pontifical high mass sung by Bishop Guertin of Manchester, N. H., and a sermon by Rev. D. J. O'Sullivan of St. Albans. At the service last evening, there was a sermon by Bishop Rice, who confirmed a class of 57 candidates.

BIG FRESHMEN CLASS.
There Are Already 110 At the University
of Vermont—More Coming.

Burlington, Sept. 30.—Registrar Andrews of the university of Vermont says that already 110 freshmen are enrolled and that the number is being added to daily. The entrance certificates for all students who enter this year without conditions number about forty. The dormitories of the university are full.

TALK OF THE TOWN

The first social of the year held by the Y. P. A. in the vestry of the Presbyterian church last evening proved a great success. Fully 100 young people were present and enjoyed themselves with games and refreshments. The pleasing feature of the evening were the ghosts, who marched into the room, and their identity had to be guessed by the crowd.

GRANITEVILLE.

Nation pictures in Miles' hall to-night. Dancing after the picture show.

TWO DIVORCES
ARE GRANTEDAnother is to be Fought and
Fourth is Dismissed

AND A NEW ONE ENTERED

A Jury in Washington County Court
Granted Verdict of \$1 Actual and
\$10 Exemplary Damages in
Plainfield Case.

Following the granting of a verdict to the plaintiff in the Plainfield trespass case of Hiram G. Moore vs. E. V. Duke, John Ryan and Fred H. Bruffee in Washington county court yesterday afternoon, the court this morning took up the hearing of divorce cases, which order will continue until Monday, when the criminal docket will be started. The plaintiff in the Plainfield case, Mr. Moore, was given \$1 actual damages and \$10 "exemplary" damages, together with costs.

The divorce case of Fred A. Burnham of Cabot vs. Annie G. Burnham was the first heard, and a bill was granted on the ground of desertion. J. Ward Carter appeared for the petitioner. The case of *Edna M. Day vs. William E. Day* was heard, but no decree was entered. J. G. Wing appeared for the petitioner.

Jessie J. Nichols of Barre was granted a divorce from William L. Nichols on the ground of intolerable severity, and the petitioner was given the custody of their minor child. J. G. Wing appeared for the petitioner.

The case of William Reith vs. Annie Leith is to be fought, and continuance was granted in court to-day, because the defendant through an attorney asked that she be given a chance to appear and testify. She is in Scotland at the present time, and the court granted the continuance until she can return.

The divorce case of Albert H. Mehuon vs. Emma Mehuon was dismissed to-day without prejudice. A new divorce petition has been entered, that of Margaret Metzler vs. Fritz Metzler. Plumley & Plumley represent the petitioner.

The case of *State vs. John Ryan* of Plainfield has been continued, because of the inability of the defendant's counsel to be present and attend to the case. In the case of *State vs. E. F. Fortney*, Albert A. Johnson of Montpelier was today recognized as bondsman in the sum of \$100.

ALLEGED GAMBLING DEVICE
Was Seized in a Montpelier Cigar Store
Yesterday.

State's Attorney Benjamin Gates and Deputy Sheriff H. D. Camp raided the cigar store of Fred Standish in Montpelier yesterday afternoon and seized a device known as a Klondike machine. Another place was also visited where, it is alleged, a machine of the same kind was in operation, but through being warned beforehand of the officers' plans, or in some other way, no trace of the machine was found at the time of the officers' call. Complaints have been issued that boys were spending considerable sums of money on them. The case was not taken up yesterday, as Mr. Standish was out of town. The offense of keeping Klondike machines is punishable by a fine of \$50.

CONVICTED AND ARRESTED.
Robert Plum Has a Hard Time in Chitenden County Court.

Burlington, Sept. 30.—In Chitenden county court yesterday, Robert Plum, alias Otto Stone, was convicted of petit larceny. Later in the day State's Attorney Gates filed a second information against him, charging Robert Plum, alias Otto Stone, of Rutland with stealing one Central Vermont Railway company's mileage No. 38182 and one Boston & Maine Railroad company's mileage No. A 57706, both of the value of \$11.00, being the goods and chattels of one Elmer E. Geon.

Augustus C. Adams of Burlington was arraigned in the afternoon, charged with open and gross lewdness. In the latter part of July Adams was arraigned in city court on a complaint made by City Attorney Viles and pleaded not guilty. He was held for county court, bail being fixed at \$300, in default of which he was confined in jail. Adams pleaded guilty yesterday and was sentenced to jail for not less than six months nor more than seven. He is a man apparently about 60 years of age.

THE COUNTESS SUES.
Former Montpelier Woman Wants Recovery of a Little Book.

Rutland, Sept. 30.—Through her attorney, John D. Spellman, Countess Eleanor Nicholas, who lives at the Banquet house, has brought suit in trover against John J. Rafferty of this city, claiming that he holds unlawfully, a little book belonging to her, which she values highly. The suit is returnable in city court October 5. Mr. Rafferty was furnished \$100 bail for appearance.

It is alleged that the defendant secured possession of the book at the hotel and refuses to give it up. The book is said to contain proof that the late Anastasia Nicholas of Montpelier, father-in-law of the countess, controlled the 170,000 acres of anthracite coal lands in Virginia because of his holding of stock of the Shenandoah Land and Coal company.

CAUSE OF FIRE UNKNOWN.
It Started in Basement of House Whose
Occupant Was Away.

Brandon, Sept. 30.—Fire was discovered yesterday morning about 10:30 o'clock in the cellar of the apartment occupied by Mrs. Lemna Manchester in her tenement house on Conant street. The fire company responded promptly and prevented a serious conflagration. Mrs. Manchester had been out of town for a few days and arrived home just after the alarm was given. Just how the fire started is not yet known.